

and Varuna, to your honour in the oblations;
 at every
 sacrifice you hasten to the oblations, when
 you help the
 offerer who presses out the Soma.

2. The plants and the waters were
 efficacious; they
 have attained their power, O Indra and
 Varuna; you
 who have gone beyond the path of the
 firmament,—no
 godless man is worth being called your enemy.

3. True, O Indra and Vamna, is that saying
 of Krisa's,
 —" the seven sacred voices ¹ distil a stream
 of honey; "
 for their sake help the worshipper,
 O ye lords of
 splendour, who reverences you devoutly in his
 thoughts.

4. The seven sister-streams of the Soma, in
 the house
 of the offering pour forth ghi and rain
 profusely their
 drops, — with these ghi-dripping streams
 of yours, O
 Indra and Varuna, provide for and help the
 offerer,

5. To our great happiness we have
 declared to these
 two brilliant ones the true might of Tndra; O
 Indra and
 Varuna, lords of splendour, help us, the
 offerers of ghi,
 with the company of thrice seven.²

6. O Indra and Varuna, I have seen what
 you formerly
 gave to the seers,—wisdom, power of song,
 and fame,—
 and the places which the wise have
 prepared for them-
 selves, as they spread the web of the
 sacrifice with holy
 austerities.

7. O Indra and Varuna, give to the offerers
 cheerful-
 ness without levity, and abundance of
 wealth; give to
 us offspring, food, prosperity; prolong our
 lives to length

of days.

¹ Cf. Rig Veda, Lc. 103, 3, " the Soma streams through the
sheep's wool
round the honey-dropping- Tcsccl,—the *seres*. Takes of the
sacred bank shoot
to ft."

² This obscure phrase occurs in a hymn to Iwfca (*Rig Veda*,
i. 133, 5),
** O irresistible one, thou of desire TCst not rote with the
warriors, with the
thrice seven warriors."